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SUBJECT: ZAIRE'S FINANCIAL CRISIS: RUMORED BALANCE
OF PAYMENTS LOAN

1. WITH REFERENCE TO RUMORED BALANCE OF PAYMENTS LOAN
IN APPROXIMATE AMOUNT \$250 MILLION WHICH MOBUTU HAS BEEN
COUNTING ON, WE HAVE JUST BEEN SHOWN SUMMARY COPY OF
TELEX WHICH IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE GONE FROM CENTRAL BANK
TO FOLLOWING ADDRESS IN NEW YORK:

"TO: ROLANCO C. WILLIAMS, HDOMCIATES, N.Y.

"WITH REGARD TO \$250 MILLION LOAN ARRANGED THROUGH
INTERMEDIARY OF PETROLEUM AND REAL ESTATE FUND INTER-
NATIONAL, INC., PLEASE INFORM MR. NOUR EL DIN MOHAMED
KRAMER, MALAGA, SPAIN, THAT ZAIRE WANTS TO BORROW \$250
MILLION WITH TERM OF 10 YEARS, 8 PERCENT END QTE.

2. WITH FOREGOING CLUES, DEPT SHOULD BE ABLE TO TRACK
DOWN FACTS RE LOAN. OUR SOURCE ALSO SAID HE HAD BEEN
TOLD BY ZAIRIAN OFFICIAL WHO SHOULD KNOW THAT SHAH OF
IRAN MIGHT BE INVOLVED.

3. IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT WE FIND OUT IF
SUCH LOAN IS REALLY IN CARDS, WHO IS BEHIND IT AND WHAT
TERMS ARE. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S AND OTHER AGENCIES' FULLEST
AND MOST URGENT ATTENTION TO THIS ENDEAVOR.

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